



## **News Release**

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### **DWR Announces Public Workshops on Flood Bond Funding**

SACRAMENTO – The Department of Water Resources (DWR) will conduct eight public workshops statewide to discuss how Proposition 1E and 84 flood bond funds will be spent. In November 2006, voters approved nearly \$5 billion in new bond funding for flood control projects, levee repairs, Delta improvements and stormwater grants.

“With these funds, we have an unprecedented opportunity to improve our flood protection systems and the Delta,” said DWR Director Lester Snow. “We will be working in partnership with the public and other government agencies to help ensure that lives, property and our drinking water supplies are protected.”

In response to an aging flood system, a growing population, and a changing climate, the state has developed a strategic initiative called Flood Safe California to improve flood protection and public safety. The initiative builds upon the state’s ongoing flood management work, especially progress made over the past two years since Governor Schwarzenegger called for levee repairs, improved maintenance, emergency response and sustainable funding.

The public workshops, which will include presentations by DWR staff from several program areas, will provide an overview of the FloodSafe California Initiative and outline near term (FY 2007-08) bond funding availability.

#### **Flood Safe California Public Workshops:**

##### **San Jose**

Thursday, February 22 at 2 p.m.  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

##### **Sacramento \***

Friday, February 23 at 2 p.m.  
Cal EPA Building Coastal Room

1001 "I" Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
[Audio/Video Web Site Link](#)

**San Diego**

Tuesday, February 27 at 2 p.m.  
Metro Conference Room  
9192 Topaz Way  
San Diego, CA 92123

**Rancho Cucamonga**

Wednesday, February 28 at 1:30 p.m.  
City Council Chambers  
10500 Civic Center Drive  
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

**Ventura \***

Thursday, March 1 at 2 p.m.  
Board of Supervisors Chambers  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
Ventura, CA 93009  
[Audio/Video Web Site Link](#)

**Chico \***

Monday, March 5 at 2 p.m.  
City Council Chambers  
421 Main Street  
Chico, CA 95928  
[Audio/Video Web Site Link](#)

**Clovis**

Wednesday, March 7 at 2 p.m.  
Memorial Building, Freedom Room  
453 Hughes Avenue  
Clovis, CA 93612

**Stockton**

Thursday, March 8 at 2 p.m.  
State Building Auditorium  
31 East Channel Street  
Stockton, CA 95202

\*Webcast available

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To register or for additional information (including meeting location addresses, agenda, and parking information), please visit FloodSafe California's website at [www.floodsafe.water.ca.gov](http://www.floodsafe.water.ca.gov).

You may register for the workshops online or by calling the toll-free registration hotline (800) 858-

7743.

*The Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the State Water Project, provides dam safety and flood control and inspection services, assists local water districts in water management and water conservation planning, and plans for future statewide water needs.*

Contact the DWR Public Affairs Office for more information about DWR's water activities.